

#11  
RCE  
KJ  
9/26/03

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,

Provides for continued examination of a utility or plant

Application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

*Application Number:* 09/882,815  
*Filing Date:* June 15, 2001  
*First Named Inventor:* Jackson  
*Group Art Unit:* 2829  
*Examiner Name:* Trung Q. Nguyen  
*Attorney Docket Number:* 823.0098USU

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**Note:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 153 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (August 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (March 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1.	<b>Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114</b>	
a.	Previously submitted	
i.	Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on _____ (any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).	
ii.	Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____	
iii.	Other _____	
b.	<b>Enclosed</b>	
i.	<b>XXXX</b> Preliminary Amendment	
ii.	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	
iii.	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)	
iv.	Other _____	
2.	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
a.	Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)	
b.	Other _____	
3.	<b>Fees</b> The RCE fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.	
a.	<b>XXX</b> The Director is hereby authorized to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 01-0467.	
i.	<b>XXX</b> RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)	
ii.	Extension of Time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)	
iii.	Other _____	
b.	<b>XXXX</b> Check in the amount of <b>\$ 375.00</b> enclosed	
c.	Payment by credit card (Form PTO-203B enclosed)	
4.	<b>XXXX</b> The attorney has verified that the applicant is entitled to a small entity status.	

July 14, 2003  
 Date of Signature

*Paul D. Greeley*

Attorney for Applicant  
 Ohlandt, Greeley, Ruggiero & Perle, L.L.P.  
 One Landmark Square, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Stamford, Connecticut 06901-2682  
 Registration No. 24,459  
 Telephone: (203) 327-4500  
 Telefax: (203) 327 6401

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: MAIL STOP RCE, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450.

*Allison Berkman*  
 (Typed name of person mailing paper)

*Allison Berkman*  
 (Signature of person mailing paper)